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New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park News Release

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New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park to hold One-Day Cleanup Blitz

Volunteers invited to join

New Bedford, MA— New Bedford, MA: New Bedford will show its volunteer spirit on Sat., April 18, when New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park hosts a One-Day Cleanup Blitz event. Dozens of volunteers from in and around New Bedford will join hands in cooperation with New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, the New Bedford Whaling Museum, New Bedford Historical Society, the Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum and the Seamen's Bethel to enhance the park by working on landscaping and other beautification projects. Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt, light breakfast and lunch. Registration and continental breakfast will take place at the park visitor center at 33 William Street from 8:30 until 9:00 am. Volunteers will work on much-needed beautification projects within the park from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon. The New Bedford Whaling Museum, a park partner, will salute America's Best—its volunteers—by offering lunch for all volunteers at the museum at 12:00. **It is suggested that volunteers wear long pants, sturdy shoes and old clothes.**

For more information, please contact Emily Prigot, Volunteer Coordinator, New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park by phone at 508 996 4095 ext. 6105 or by email at emily_prigot@nps.gov.

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park was established by Congress in 1996 to help preserve and interpret America's nineteenth century whaling industry. The park, which encompasses a 13-block National Historic Landmark District, is the only National Park Service area addressing the history of the whaling industry and its influence on the economic, social, and environmental history of the United States.

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